PROCUREMENT & MATERIALS MANAGEMENT DIVISON 100 N. ANDREWS AVENUE FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301

Vendor Name

Number & Street:

City, State, Zip (+4)

FAX

e-mail:

bidding firm.

(See General Conditions Section 1.01)

____ days

____%, net _____

Signature of Authorized Representative

Payment Terms: (section 1.03)

BID No. 542-9054

Mark "X" here

Area Code and Telephone No.

If this Invitation was mailed to an incorrect address,

CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE INVITATION TO BID

E-mail: purchase@fortlauderdale.gov

ISSUE DATE: 6/7/04 PAGE 1 OF 16

BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR TO 2:00 P.M.

ON: 7/6/04

Ph: (954) 828-5140; Fax: (954) 828-5576

ITB NO. 542-9054

TITLE: 2-YEAR CONTRACT FOR COURT REPORTER SERVICES-CITY ATTORNEY/PROSECUTOR

PROCUREMENT SPECIALIST: Linda R. Wilson, C.P.M., CPPB **DEPT: City Attorney**

CONTACT FOR TECHNICAL QUESTIONS: Michaeleen Stohrer, Legal Admin Ass't. PHONE: (954) 828-5037 **Bidder Must Complete the Following:**

and we will adjust our records

) _____

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Title:

Delivery: Calendar days after receipt of Purchase Order: (section 1.02)

Total Bid Discount (section 1.04) Bids are firm for Acceptance for 90 days (Section 1.05) Yes No Other State or reference any variances (section 1.06) Web site address: http://www/ NO BID: If not submitting a bid, state reason below and return one copy of this form (section 1.07) Does your firm qualify for MBE, WBE, SBE status in accordance with Section 1.08 of General Conditions? How to Submit Bids/Bids: It will be the sole responsibility of the Bidder to ensure that his bid reaches the City of Fort Lauderdale, City Hall, Procurement Division, 6th floor, Room 619, 100 N. Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301, prior to the bid opening date and time listed. Do not submit by facsimile. Facsimile bids will not be accepted. Each bid envelope must be sealed with the following information stated on the **OUTSIDE** of the envelope: 2-Yr. Contract-Court Reporter Services OPENS: 7/6/04 Vendor Certification: I, the below signed hereby agree to furnish the required article(s) or services(s), at the price(s) and terms stated subject to all instructions, conditions, specifications, and all attachments hereto. I have read all attachments and fully understand what is required. By submitting this bid. I certify that I will accept a contract if approved by the City and such acceptance covers all terms. conditions, and specifications contained in this bid. I certify that I have not divulged to, discussed with, or compared this bid with any other bidder(s) and have not colluded with any other bidder(s) or parties to this bid. I certify I am authorized to contractually bind the

Title (Typed or Printed)

City of Fort Lauderdale GENERAL CONDITIONS

These instructions are standard for all contracts for commodities or services issued through the City of Fort Lauderdale Division of Procurement & Materials Management. The City may delete, supersede, or modify any of these standard instructions for a particular contract by indicating such change in the Invitation to Bid (ITB) Special Conditions, Technical Specifications, Instructions, Proposal Pages, Addenda, and Legal Advertisement.

PART I BIDDER PROPOSAL PAGE(S) CONDITIONS:

- BIDDER ADDRESS: The City maintains automated vendor mailing lists for each specific Commodity Class Item. Invitation to Bid (ITB'S) will be mailed first to a selection of Bidders who have fully registered on our system. Requests will be mailed to unregistered Bidders within a reasonable time frame for that bid only. Neither the mailing of one ITB to the vendor, nor a bid in return, will register a vendor on our system. If you wish purchase orders sent to a different address, please so indicate. If you wish payments sent to a different address, please so indicate on your invoice.
- **1.02 DELIVERY:** Time will be of the essence for any orders placed as a result of this ITB. The City reserves the right to cancel any orders, or part thereof, without obligation if delivery is not made in accordance with the schedule specified by the Bidder and accepted by the City.
- 1.03 PAYMENT TERMS AND CASH DISCOUNTS: Payment terms, unless otherwise stated in this ITB, will be considered to be net 30 days after the date of satisfactory delivery at the place of acceptance and receipt of correct invoice at the office specified, whichever occurs last. Bidder may offer cash discounts for prompt payment but they will not be considered in determination of award. If a Bidder offers a discount, it is understood that the discount time will be computed from the date of satisfactory delivery, at the place of acceptance, and receipt of correct invoice, at the office specified, whichever occurs last.
- **TOTAL BID DISCOUNT:** If Bidder offers a discount for award of all items listed in the bid, such discount shall be deducted from the total of the firm net unit prices bid and shall be considered in tabulation and award of bid.
- **BIDS FIRM FOR ACCEPTANCE:** Bidder warrants, by virtue of bidding, that his bid and the prices quoted in his bid will be firm for acceptance by the City for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of bid opening unless otherwise stated in the ITB.
- VARIANCES: For purposes of bid evaluation, Bidder's must indicate any variances, no matter how slight, from ITB General Conditions, Special Conditions, Special Conditions, Specifications or Addenda in the space provided in the ITB. No variations or exceptions by a Bidder will be considered or deemed a part of the bid submitted unless such variances or exceptions are listed in the bid and referenced in the space provided on the bidder proposal pages. If variances are not stated, or referenced as required, it will be assumed that the product or service fully complies with the City's terms, conditions, and specifications.

By receiving a bid, City does not necessarily accept any variances contained in the bid. All variances submitted are subject to review and approval by the City. If any bid contains material variances that, in the City's sole opinion, make that bid conditional in nature, the City reserves the right to reject the bid or part of the bid that is declared, by the City as conditional.

- NO BIDS: If you do not intend to bid please indicate the reason, such as insufficient time to respond, do not offer product or service, unable to meet specifications, schedule would not permit, or any other reason, in the space provided in this ITB. Failure to bid or return no bid comments prior to the bid due and opening date and time, indicated in this ITB, may result in your firm being deleted from our Bidder's registration list for the Commodity Class Item requested in this ITB.
- 1.08 MINORITY AND WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION AND BUSINESS DEFINITIONS: The City of Fort Lauderdale wants to increase the participation of Minority Business Enterprises (MBE), Women Business Enterprises (WBE), and Small Business Enterprises (SBE) in it's purchasing activities. If your firm qualifies in accordance with the below definitions please indicate in the space provided in this ITB.

Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) "A Minority Business" is a business enterprise that is owned or controlled by one or more socially or economically disadvantaged persons. Such disadvantage may arise from cultural, racial, chronic economic circumstances or background or other similar cause. Such persons include, but are not limited to: Blacks, Hispanics, Asian Americans, and Native Americans.

The term 'Minority Business Enterprise' means a business at least 51 percent of which is owned by minority group members or, in the case of a publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by minority group members. For the purpose of the preceding sentence, minority group members are citizens of the United States who include, but are not limited to: Blacks, Hispanics, Asian Americans, and Native Americans.

Women Business Enterprise (WBE) a "Women Owned or Controlled Business is a business enterprise at least 51 percent of which is owned by females or, in the case of a publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by females.

Small Business Enterprise (SBE) "Small Business" means a corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, or other legal entity formed for the purpose of making a profit, which is independently owned and operated, has either fewer than 100 employees or less than \$1,000,000 in annual gross receipts.

BLACK, which includes persons having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.

WHITE, which includes persons whose origins are Anglo-Saxon and Europeans and persons of Indo-European decent including Pakistani and East Indian.

HISPANIC, which includes persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central and South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

NATIVE AMERICAN, which includes persons whose origins are American Indians, Eskimos, Aleuts, or Native Hawaiians.

ASIAN AMERICAN, which includes persons having origin in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands.

1.09 MINORITY-WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION

It is the desire of the City of Fort Lauderdale to increase the participation of minority (MBE) and women-owned (WBE) businesses in its

contracting and procurement programs. While the City does not have any preference or set aside programs in place, it is committed to a policy of equitable participation for these firms. Bidders are requested to include in their bids a narrative describing their past accomplishments and intended actions in this area. If Bidders are considering minority or women owned enterprise participation in their proposal, those firms, and their specific duties have to be identified in the proposal. If a bidder is considered for award, he will be asked to meet with City staff so that the intended MBE/WBE participation can be formalized and included in the subsequent contract.

1.09(a) CERTIFICATION BY BROWARD COUNTY, FL: If awarded a contract or purchase order as a result of this solicitation, and if the awarded contractor/vendor is claiming minority status in accordance with Section 1.08 of the General Conditions, then said awarded contractor/vendor shall apply for certification by Broward County, Florida, <u>Division of Equal Employment and Small Business Opportunity.</u> Contractor/vendor shall provide documentation of application status, and once approved or disapproved by Broward County, must also provide that documentation to the Purchasing Division of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Part II DEFINITIONS/ORDER OF PRECEDENCE:

2.01 BIDDING DEFINITIONS The City will use the following definitions in it's general conditions, special conditions, technical specifications, instructions to bidders, addenda and any other document used in the bidding process:

INVITATION TO BID (ITB) when the City is requesting bids from qualified Bidders.

REQUEST FOR BIDS (BID) when the City is requesting bids from qualified Bidders.

BID – a price and terms quote received in response to an ITB.

PROPOSAL - a proposal received in response to an BID.

BIDDER - Person or firm submitting a Bid.

BIDDER – Person or firm submitting a Proposal.

RESPONSIVE BIDDER - A person whose bid conforms in all material respects to the terms and conditions included in the ITB.

RESPONSIBLE BIDDER – A person who has the capability in all respects to perform in full the contract requirements, as stated in the ITB, and the integrity and reliability that will assure good faith performance.

FIRST RANKED BIDDER – That Bidder, responding to a City BID, whose Proposal is deemed by the City, the most advantageous to the City after applying the evaluation criteria contained in the BID.

SELLER – Successful Bidder or Bidder who is awarded a Purchase Order or Contract to provide goods or services to the City.

CONTRACTOR – Successful Bidder or Bidder who is awarded a Purchase Order, award Contract, Blanket Purchase Order agreement, or Term Contract to provide goods or services to the City.

CONTRACT – A deliberate verbal or written agreement between two or more competent parties to perform or not to perform a certain act or acts, including all types of agreements, regardless of what they may be called, for the procurement or disposal of equipment, materials, supplies, services or construction.

CONSULTANT - Successful Bidder or Bidder who is awarded a contract to provide professional services to the City.

The following terms may be used interchangeably by the City: ITB, or BID; Bid or Proposal; Bidder, Bidder, or Seller; Contractor or Consultant; Contract, Award, Agreement or Purchase Order.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS: Any and all Special Conditions contained in this ITB that may be in variance or conflict with these General Conditions shall have precedence over these General Conditions. If no changes or deletions to General Conditions are made in the Special Conditions, then the General Conditions shall prevail in their entirety,

PART III BIDDING AND AWARD PROCEDURES:

- 3.01 SUBMISSION AND RECEIPT OF BIDS: To receive consideration, bids must be received prior to the bid opening date and time. Unless otherwise specified, Bidder's should use the proposal forms provided by the City. These forms may be duplicated, but failure to use the forms may cause the bid to be rejected. Any erasures or corrections on the bid must be made in ink and initialed by Bidder in ink. All information submitted by the Bidder shall be printed, typewritten or filled in with pen and ink. Bids shall be signed in ink. Separate bids must be submitted for each ITB issued by the City in separate sealed envelopes properly marked. When a particular ITB or BID requires multiple copies of bids or bids they may be included in a single envelope or package properly sealed and identified. Only send bids via facsimile transmission (FAX) if the ITB specifically states that bids sent via FAX will be considered. If such a statement is not included in the ITB, bids sent via FAX will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the Procurement Office, or other designated area, in the presence of Bidder's, the public, and City staff. Bidders and the public are invited and encouraged to attend bid openings. Bids will be tabulated and made available for review by Bidder's and the public in accordance with applicable regulations.
- **3.02 MODEL NUMBER CORRECTIONS:** If the model number for the make specified in this ITB is incorrect, or no longer available and replaced with an updated model with new specifications, the Bidder shall enter the correct model number on the bidder proposal page. In the case of an updated model with new specifications, Bidder shall provide adequate information to allow the City to determine if the model bid meets the City's requirements.
- 3.03 PRICES QUOTED: Deduct trade discounts, and quote firm net prices. Give both unit price and extended total. In the case of a discrepancy in computing the amount of the bid, the unit price quoted will govern. All prices quoted shall be F.O.B. destination, freight prepaid (Bidder pays and bears freight charges, Bidder owns goods in transit and files any claims), unless otherwise stated in Special Conditions. Each item must be bid separately. No attempt shall be made to tie any item or items contained in the ITB with any other business with the City.
- **TAXES:** The City of Fort Lauderdale is exempt from Federal Excise and Florida Sales taxes on direct purchase of tangible property. Exemption number for Federal Excise taxes is 59-74-0111K, and State Sales tax exemption number is 16-03-196479-54C.
- **3.05** WARRANTIES OF USAGE: Any quantities listed in this ITB as estimated or projected are provided for tabulation and information purposes only. No warranty or guarantee of quantities is given or implied. It is understood that the Contractor will furnish the City's needs as they arise.
- APPROVED EQUAL: When the technical specifications call for a brand name, manufacturer, make, model, or vendor catalog number with acceptance of APPROVED EQUAL, it shall be for the purpose of establishing a level of quality and features desired and acceptable to the City. In such cases, the City will be receptive to any unit that would be considered by qualified City personnel as an approved equal. In that the specified make and model represent a level of quality and features desired by the City, the Bidder must state clearly in his bid any variance from those specifications. It is the Bidder's responsibility to provide adequate information, in his bid, to enable the City to ensure that the bid meets the required criteria. If adequate information is not submitted with the bid, it may be rejected. The City will be the sole judge in determining if the item bid qualifies as an approved equal.

- 3.07 MINIMUM AND MANDATORY TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS: The technical specifications may include items that are considered minimum, mandatory, or required. If any Bidder is unable to meet, or exceed these items, and feels that the technical specifications are overly restrictive, he must notify the Procurement Division immediately. Such notification must be received by the Procurement Division prior to the deadline contained in the ITB, for questions of a material nature, or prior to five (5) days before bid due and open date, whichever occurs first. If no such notification is received prior to that deadline, the City will consider the technical specifications to be acceptable to all bidders.
- **3.08 MISTAKES:** Bidders are cautioned to examine all terms, conditions, specifications, drawings, exhibits, addenda, delivery instructions and special conditions pertaining to the ITB. Failure of the Bidder to examine all pertinent documents shall not entitle him to any relief from the conditions imposed in the contract.
- **SAMPLES AND DEMONSTRATIONS:** Samples or inspection of product may be requested to determine suitability. Unless otherwise specified in Special Conditions, samples shall be requested after the date of bid opening, and if requested should be received by the City within seven (7) working days of request. Samples, when requested, must be furnished free of expense to the City and if not used in testing or destroyed, will upon request of the Bidder, be returned within thirty (30) days of bid award at Bidder's expense. When required, the City may request full demonstrations of units prior to award. When such demonstrations are requested, the Bidder shall respond promptly and arrange a demonstration at a convenient location. Failure to provide samples or demonstrations as specified by the City may result in rejection of a bid.
- 3.10 LIFE CYCLE COSTING: If so specified in the ITB, the City may elect to evaluate equipment proposed on the basis of total cost of ownership. In using Life Cycle Costing, factors such as the following may be considered: estimated useful life, maintenance costs, cost of supplies, labor intensity, energy usage, environmental impact, and residual value. The City reserves the right to use those or other applicable criteria, in its sole opinion that will most accurately estimate total cost of use and ownership.
- 3.11 BIDDING ITEMS WITH RECYCLED CONTENT: In addressing environmental concerns, the City of Fort Lauderdale encourages Bidders to submit bids or alternate bids containing items with recycled content. When submitting bids containing items with recycled content, Bidder shall provide documentation adequate for the City to verify the recycled content. The City prefers packaging consisting of materials that are degradable or able to be recycled. When specifically stated in the ITB, the City may give preference to bids containing items manufactured with recycled material or packaging that is able to be recycled.
- **3.12 USE OF OTHER GOVERNMENTAL CONTRACTS:** The City reserves the right to reject any part or all of any bids received and utilize other available governmental contracts, if such action is in its best interest.
- **3.13 QUALIFICATIONS/INSPECTION:** Bids will only be considered from firms normally engaged in providing the types of commodities/services specified herein. The City reserves the right to inspect the Bidder's facilities, equipment, personnel, and organization at any time, or to take any other action necessary to determine Bidder's ability to perform. The Procurement Manager reserves the right to reject bids where evidence or evaluation is determined to indicate inability to perform.
- **3.14 BID SURETY:** If Special Conditions require a bid security, it shall be submitted in the amount stated. A bid security can be in the form of a bid bond, postal money order, cashiers check, or irrevocable letter of credit. Bid security will be returned to the unsuccessful bidders as soon as practicable after opening of bids. Bid security will be returned to the successful bidder after acceptance of the performance bond or irrevocable letter of credit, if required; acceptance of insurance coverage, if required; and full execution of contract documents, if required; and full execution of contract documents, if required; or conditions as stated in Special Conditions.
- 3.15 PUBLIC RECORDS: Florida law provides that municipal records shall at all times be open for personal inspection by any person. Section 119.01, F.S., The Public Records Law. Information and materials received by City in connection with an ITB response shall be deemed to be public records subject to public inspection upon award, recommendation for award, or 10 days after bid opening, whichever occurs first. However, certain exemptions to the public records law are statutorily provided for in Section 119.07, F.S. If the Bidder believes any of the information contained in his or her response is exempt from the Public Records Law, then the Bidder, must in his or her response, specifically identify the material which is deemed to be exempt and cite the legal authority for the exemption, otherwise, the City will treat all materials received as public records.
- 3.16 PROHIBITION OF INTEREST: No contract will be awarded to a bidding firm who has City elected officials, officers or employees affiliated with it, unless the bidding firm has fully complied with current Florida State Statutes and City Ordinances relating to this issue. Bidders must disclose any such affiliation. Failure to disclose any such affiliation will result in disqualification of the Bidder and removal of the Bidder from the City's bidder lists and prohibition from engaging in any business with the City.
- RESERVATIONS FOR AWARD AND REJECTION OF BIDS: The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, part of bids, and to waive minor irregularities or variations to specifications contained in bids, and minor irregularities in the bidding process. The City also reserves the right to award the contract on a split order basis, lump sum basis, individual item basis, or such combination as shall best serve the interest of the City. The City reserves the right to make an award to the responsive and responsible bidder whose product or service meets the terms, conditions, and specifications of the ITB and whose bid is considered to best serve the City's interest. In determining the responsiveness of the offer and the responsibility of the Bidder, the following shall be considered when applicable: the ability, capacity and skill of the Bidder to perform as required; whether the Bidder can perform promptly, or within the time specified, without delay or interference; the character, integrity, reputation, judgment, experience and efficiency of the Bidder; the quality of past performance by the Bidder; the previous and existing compliance by the Bidder with related laws and ordinances; the sufficiency of the Bidder's financial resources; the availability, quality and adaptability of the Bidder's supplies or services to the required use; the ability of the Bidder to provide future maintenance, service or parts; the number and scope of conditions attached to the bid.

If the ITB provides for a contract trial period, the City reserves the right, in the event the selected bidder does not perform satisfactorily, to award a trial period to the next ranked bidder or to award a contract to the next ranked bidder, if that bidder has successfully provided services to the City in the past. This procedure to continue until a bidder is selected or the contract is re-bid, at the sole option of the City.

3.18 **LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:** Applicable provisions of all federal, state, county laws, and local ordinances, rules and regulations, shall govern development, submittal and evaluation of all bids received in response hereto and shall govern any and all claims and disputes which may arise between person(s) submitting a bid response hereto and the City by and through its officers, employees and authorized representatives,

or any other person, natural or otherwise; and lack of knowledge by any bidder shall not constitute a cognizable defense against the legal effect thereof.

PART IV BONDS AND INSURANCE

4.01 PERFORMANCE BOND/IRREVOCABLE LETTER OF CREDIT: If a performance bond or irrevocable letter of credit is required in Special Conditions, the Contractor shall within fifteen (15) working days after notification of award, furnish to the City a Performance Bond or an Unconditional Irrevocable Letter of Credit payable to the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, in the face amount specified in Special Conditions as surety for faithful performance under the terms and conditions of the contract. If the bond is on an annual coverage basis, renewal for each succeeding year shall be submitted to the City thirty (30) days prior to the termination date of the existing Performance Bond. The Performance Bond must be executed by a surety company of recognized standing, authorized to do business in the State of Florida and having a resident agent. If a Letter of Credit is chosen, it must be in a form acceptable to the City, drawn on a local (Broward, Dade or Palm Beach Counties) bank acceptable to the City and issued in favor of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida. If a Bidder wishes to use a non-local bank, he must have prior City approval of the requirements to draw against the Letter of Credit.

Acknowledgement and agreement is given by both parties that the amount herein set for the Performance Bond or Irrevocable Letter of Credit is not intended to be nor shall be deemed to be in the nature of liquidated damages nor is it intended to limit the liability of the Contractor to the City in the event of a material breach of this Agreement by the Contractor.

INSURANCE: If the Contractor is required to go on to City property to perform work or services as a result of ITB award, the Contractor shall assume full responsibility and expense to obtain all necessary insurance as required by City or specified in Special Conditions.

The Contractor shall provide to the Purchasing Division original certificates of coverage and receive notification of approval of those certificates by the City's Risk Manager prior to engaging in any activities under this contract. The Contractors insurance is subject to the approval of the City's Risk Manager. The certificates must list the City as an <u>ADDITIONAL INSURED</u> and shall have no less than thirty (30) days written notice of cancellation or material change. Further modification of the insurance requirements may be made at the sole discretion of the City's Risk Manager if circumstances change or adequate protection of the City is not presented. Bidder, by submitting his bid, agrees to abide by such modifications.

PART V PURCHASE ORDER AND CONTRACT TERMS:

- 5.01 COMPLIANCE TO SPECIFICATIONS, LATE DELIVERIES/PENALTIES: Items offered may be tested for compliance to bid specifications. Items delivered which do not conform to bid specifications may be rejected and returned at Contractor's expense. Any violation resulting in contract termination for cause or delivery of items not conforming to specifications, or late delivery may also result in:
 - Bidder's name being removed from the City's bidder's mailing list for a specified period and Bidder will not be recommended for any award during that period.
 - All City Departments being advised to refrain from doing business with the Bidder.
 - All other remedies in law or equity.
- ACCEPTANCE, CONDITION, AND PACKAGING: The material delivered in response to ITB award shall remain the property of the Seller until a physical inspection is made and the material accepted to the satisfaction of the City. The material must comply fully with the terms of the ITB, be of the required quality, new, and the latest model. All containers shall be suitable for storage and shipment by common carrier, and all prices shall include standard commercial packaging. The City will not accept substitutes of any kind. Any substitutes or material not meeting specifications will be returned at the Bidder's expense. Payment will be made only after City receipt and acceptance of materials or services.
- **SAFETY STANDARDS:** All manufactured items and fabricated assemblies shall comply with applicable requirements of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 as amended, and be in compliance with Chapter 442, Florida Statutes. Any toxic substance listed in Section 38F-41.03 of the Florida Administrative Code delivered as a result of this order must be accompanied by a completed Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS).
- **5.04 ASBESTOS STATEMENT:** All material supplied must be 100% asbestos free. Bidder, by virtue of bidding, certifies that if awarded any portion of the ITB he will supply only material or equipment that is 100% asbestos free.
- **5.05 OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES:** If the Bidder is awarded a contract as a result of this ITB, he will, if he has sufficient capacity or quantities available, provide to other governmental agencies, so requesting, the products or services awarded in accordance with the terms and conditions of the ITB and resulting contract. Prices shall be F.O.B. delivered to the requesting agency.
- **VERBAL INSTRUCTIONS PROCEDURE:** No negotiations, decisions, or actions shall be initiated or executed by the Contractor as a result of any discussions with any City employee. Only those communications which are in writing from an authorized City representative may be considered. Only written communications from Contractors, which are assigned by a person designated as authorized to bind the Contractor, will be recognized by the City as duly authorized expressions on behalf of Contractors.
- 5.07 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR: The Contractor is an independent contractor under this Agreement. Personal services provided by the Bidder shall be by employees of the Contractor and subject to supervision by the Contractor, and not as officers, employees, or agents of the City. Personnel policies, tax responsibilities, social security, health insurance, employee benefits, purchasing policies unless otherwise stated in this ITB, and other similar administrative procedures applicable to services rendered under this contract shall be those of the Contractor.
- **INDEMNITY/HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT:** The Contractor agrees to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City of Fort Lauderdale and its officers, employees and agents from and against any and all losses, penalties, damages, settlements, claims, costs, charges for other expenses, or liabilities of every and any kind including attorney fees, in connection with or arising directly or indirectly out of the work agreed to or performed by Contractor under the terms of any agreement that may arise due to the bidding process. Without limiting the foregoing, any and all such claims, suits, or other actions relating to personal injury, death, damage to property, defects in materials or workmanship, actual or alleged violations of any applicable Statute, ordinance, administrative order, rule or regulation, or decree of any court shall be included in the indemnity hereunder.

- 5.09 TERMINATION FOR CAUSE: If, through any cause, the Contractor shall fail to fulfill in a timely and proper manner its obligations under this Agreement, or if the Contractor shall violate any of the provisions of this Agreement, the City may upon written notice to the Contractor terminate the right of the Contractor to proceed under this Agreement, or with such part or parts of the Agreement as to which there has been default, and may hold the Contractor liable for any damages caused to the City by reason of such default and termination. In the event of such termination, any completed services performed by the Contractor under this Agreement shall, at the option of the City, become the City's property and the Contractor shall be entitled to receive equitable compensation for any work completed to the satisfaction of the City. The Contractor, however, shall not be relieved of liability to the City for damages sustained by the City by reason of any breach of the Agreement by the Contractor, and the City may withhold any payments to the Contractor for the purpose of setoff until such time as the amount of damages due to the City from the Contractor can be determined.
- **5.10 TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE:** The City reserves the right, in its best interest as determined by the City, to cancel contract by giving written notice to the Contractor thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of such cancellation.
- **5.11 CANCELLATION FOR UNAPPROPRIATED FUNDS:** The obligation of the City for payment to a Contractor is limited to the availability of funds appropriated in a current fiscal period, and continuation of the contract into a subsequent fiscal period is subject to appropriation of funds, unless otherwise authorized by law.
- **RECORDS/AUDIT:** The Contractor shall maintain during the term of the contract all books of account, reports and records in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices and standards for records directly related to this contract. The form of all records and reports shall be subject to the approval of the City's Internal Auditor. The Contractor agrees to make available to the City's Internal Auditor, during normal business hours and in Broward, Dade or Palm Beach Counties, all books of account, reports and records relating to this contract for the duration of the contract and retain them for a minimum period of one (1) year beyond the last day of the contract term.
- **5.13 PERMITS, TAXES, LICENSES:** The successful Contractor shall, at his own expense, obtain all necessary permits, pay all licenses, fees and taxes, required to comply with all local ordinances, state and federal laws, rules and regulations applicable to business to be carried on under this contract.
- **5.14 LAWS/ORDINANCES:** The Contractor shall observe and comply with all Federal, state, local and municipal laws, ordinances rules and regulations that would apply to this contract.
- **5.15 NON-DESCRIMINATION:** There shall be no discrimination as to race, sex, color, creed, age or national origin in the operations conducted under this contract.
- 5.16 UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES: If during a contract term where costs to the City are to remain firm or adjustments are restricted by a percentage or CPI cap, unusual circumstances that could not have been foreseen by either party to the contract occur, and those circumstances significantly affect the Contractor's cost in providing the required items or services, then the Contractor may request adjustments to the costs to the City to reflect the changed circumstances. The circumstances must be beyond the control of the Contractor, and the requested adjustments must be fully documented. The City may, after examination, refuse to accept the adjusted costs if they are not properly documented, increases are considered to be excessive, or decreases are considered to be insufficient. In the event the City does not wish to accept the adjusted costs and the matter cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of the City, the City will reserve the following options:
 - 1. The contract can be canceled by the City upon giving thirty (30) days written notice to the Contractor with no penalty to the City or Contractor. The Contractor shall fill all City requirements submitted to the Contractor until the termination date contained in the notice.
 - 2. The City requires the Contractor to continue to provide the items and services at the firm fixed (non-adjusted) cost until the termination of the contract term then in effect.
 - 3. If the City, in its interest and in its sole opinion, determines that the Contractor in a capricious manner attempted to use this section of the contract to relieve themselves of a legitimate obligation under the contract, and no unusual circumstances had occurred, the City reserves the right to take any and all action under law or equity. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, declaring the Contractor in default and disqualifying him for receiving any business from the City for a state period of time.

If the City does agree to adjusted costs, these adjusted costs shall not be invoiced to the City until the Contractor receives notice in writing signed by a person authorized to bind the City in such matters.

- **5.17 ELIGIBILITY:** If applicable, the Contractor must first register with the Department of State of the State of Florida, in accordance with Florida State Statutes, prior to entering into a contract with the City.
- **PATENTS AND ROYALTIES:** The Contractor, without exception, shall indemnify and save harmless the City and its employees from liability of any nature and kind, including cost and expenses for or on account of any copyrighted, patented or un-patented invention, process, or article manufactured or used in the performance of the contract, including its use by the City. If the Contractor uses any design, device, or materials covered by letters, patent or copyright, it is mutually agreed and understood without exception that the bid prices shall include all royalties or costs arising from the use of such design, device, or materials in any way involved in the work.
- **5.19 ASSIGNMENT:** Contractor shall not transfer or assign the performance required by this ITB without the prior written consent of the City. Any award issued pursuant to this ITB, and the monies, which may become due hereunder, are not assignable except with the prior written approval of the City Manager or selected designee.
- **5.20 LITIGATION VENUE:** The parties waive the privilege of venue and agree that all litigation between them in the state courts shall take place in Broward County, Florida and that all litigation between them in the federal courts shall take place in the Southern District in and for the State of Florida.

GENERAL INFORMATION AND SPECIAL CONDITIONS

- 1. PURPOSE AND INTENT: The City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is requesting bids for court reporting services. This service is necessary for trials, hearings, depositions, meetings, Closed Door Sessions of the City Commission, judicial proceedings, quasi-judicial administrative hearings, Dispute Resolution proceedings, certain aspects of City Commission meetings and any time an official record is required. Services would be required by the Office of the City Attorney, the Office of the City Prosecutor, and the Police Legal Advisor's Office. Approximately ten (10) attorneys are employed by the City in these various offices.
- **2. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** For additional information regarding this BID, contact Linda Wilson, Procurement Specialist II, at (954) 828-5146. For technical information regarding the court reporter services contact Michaeleen Stohrer, Legal Administrative Assistant, (954) 828-5037. Such contact is to be for clarification purposes only. Material changes, if any, to the written specifications or bidding procedures will only be transmitted by written addendum.
 - 2.1. Last Date for Questions of a Material Nature: The last date for receipt of material questions of a material nature is June 17, 2004, 5:00 PM. It is preferred that all questions be submitted in writing to the Purchasing Division, 100 North Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL, 33301, attn: Linda Wilson. To facilitate prompt receipt of questions, they can be sent via FAX to (954) 828-5576 or by e-mail to: lwilson@fortlauderdale.gov

Questions of a material nature must be received prior to the cut-off date noted above.

Bidders please note: No part of your bid can be submitted via FAX.

- 3. BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS: For the primary services of "court reporter" for the City Attorney's Office, including City Prosecutor and Police Legal Advisor's Offices, firms or individuals responding must be registered professional court reporters, and provide documentation confirming this qualification with the bid response. Bidders shall provide current client references, including other governmental agencies for whom these services are being provided (except for closed door sessions). The firms or individuals must be available upon short notice, be dependable, prompt, accurate, have the capacity to meet the City's schedule requirements promptly and in accordance with stated turn-around times specified within the BID, and uphold the confidentiality of the City. The firm or individual must be acceptable to County, State and Federal courts for the taking of depositions upon oral examination pursuant to the Florida and Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Bidders must have computer-aided transcription, key word indexing capabilities, and have the ability to conduct a video deposition.
- 4. TERM OF CONTRACT: The initial contract term shall be for two (2) years from the date of City award. The City reserves the right to extend the contract for up to two (2), one (1) or two-year additional extension terms providing (a) both parties to the contract agree to the extension; (b) all the terms, conditions, and specifications remain the same; (c) such extension is approved by the City.

5. NO EXCLUSIVE CONTRACT/ADDITIONAL SERVICES:

Contractor agrees and understands that the contract shall not be construed as an exclusive arrangement and further agrees that the City may, at any time, secure similar or identical services at its sole option.

While this contract is for services provided to the Office of the City Attorney, the City may require similar services for other City departments. Contractor agrees to take on such work unless such work would not be considered reasonable or become an undue burden to the Contractor.

6. MINORITY-WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION:

It is the desire of the City of Fort Lauderdale to increase the participation of minority (MBE) and women-owned (WBE) businesses in its contracting and procurement programs. While the City does not have any preference or set aside programs in place, it is committed to a policy of equitable participation for these firms. <u>Bidders are requested to include in their bids a narrative describing their past accomplishments and intended actions in this area.</u> If Bidders are considering minority or women owned enterprise participation in their proposal, those firms, and their specific duties have to be identified in the proposal. If a bidder is

considered for award, he may be asked to meet with City staff so that the intended MBE/WBE participation can be formalized and included in the subsequent contract.

See General Conditions Section 1.08 for MBE and WBE definitions.

6.1. Certification by Broward County, Florida:

If awarded a contract or purchase order as a result of this solicitation, and if the awarded contractor/vendor is claiming minority status in accordance with Section 1.08 of the General Conditions, then said awarded contractor/vendor shall apply for certification by Broward County, Florida, <u>Division of Equal Employment and Small Business Opportunity.</u> Contractor/vendor shall provide documentation of application status, and once approved or disapproved by Broward County, must also provide that documentation to the Purchasing Division of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

7. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS: The City reserves the right to add to, or to delete, any portion of this contract(s) any time without cause. The City reserves the right to add items of a similar nature, but not specifically listed in the Contract. The Contractor agrees to provide such items, and shall provide the City prices or contractual terms on such additional services based upon a formula or method which is the same as, or similar to that used in establishing the prices or contractual terms in his/her proposal. If the prices, or terms offered are not acceptable to the City, and the situation cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of the City, the City reserves the right to purchase those items or services from other Contractors.

8. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS: The Contractor shall provide insurance coverage as follows:

Workers Compensation as required by Florida Statutes for benefit of Contractor employees.
 Nothwithstanding FS 440.055, any firm performing work on behalf of the City of Fort Lauderdale must provide Workers' Compensation insurance.

Exceptions: Workers' Compensation Insurance will not be required if the individuals performing the work are a Corporate Officer. In such case the firm must provide copies of their waivers as provided for by FS 440.05 & 440.055.

 Commercial General Liability including Products/Completed Operations and Automobile Liability in the combined single limit of one million (\$1,000,000.00) dollars per occurrence. The Contractor shall provide to the Purchasing Division original certificates of such coverage prior to engaging in any activities under this contract.

Such certificate shall list the City as an "additional insured" and shall have no less than thirty (30) days notice of cancellation. No work can be started until the certificate is submitted and approved by the City's Risk Manager.

<u>9. CONTRACT PRICES</u>: Prices bid will remain firm for the initial two-year contract term. Costs for any extension term(s) shall be subject to adjustment only if increases occur in the industry, but unless very unusual and significant changes have occurred in the industry, such increases shall not exceed 5% per year or, the latest yearly percentage (%) increase in the All Urban Consumers Price Index (CPI-U) as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor, whichever is less. The yearly increase, or decrease, in the CPI shall be the latest index published and available one hundred and twenty (120) days prior to the end of the contract year then in effect compared to the index for the comparable month one year prior. Any requested cost increase shall be fully documented and submitted to the City at least ninety (90) prior to the contract anniversary date. Any approved cost adjustments shall become effective upon the anniversary date of the contract. In the event the CPI or the industry costs decline, the City shall receive, from the Contractor, a reduction of costs, in accordance with the terms and conditions for adjustments detailed above.

The City may, after examination, refuse to accept the adjusted costs if they are not properly documented, increases are considered to be excessive, or decreases are considered to be insufficient. In the event the City does not wish to accept the adjusted costs and the matter cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of the City, the contract will be cancelled by the City effective the expiration date of the then current contract term.

- **10. SELLING, TRANSFERRING OR ASSIGNING CONTRACT:** No contract awarded under these terms, conditions and specifications shall be sold, transferred or assigned without the written approval of the City Manager, or designee.
- 11. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR: The contractor shall perform all duties as an independent contractor and not as a City employee. Neither the contractor nor any agent or employee of the contractor shall be deemed an employee of the City. The contractor shall be responsible for all required employment related taxes required by law and shall provide workers compensation in the amount required by law. Contractor shall be solely responsible for the acts of his employees and agents.
- 12. SUB-CONTRACTING: The Contractor must be capable of performing all the services as contained in the BID specifications. If the bidder intends to use a sub-contractor in the performance of these services, bidder shall submit complete information on proposed sub-contractor, as a part of the BID response. The same qualifications requirements, and all other terms and conditions of the BID shall also apply to the sub-contractor. The City reserves the right to approve of any sub-contractor proposed. Contractor shall be held fully responsible for the subcontractors actions.
- 13. SUBSTITITION OF PERSONNEL: In the event the Contractor wishes to substitute trained, qualified, personnel for those listed in the proposal, the City shall receive prior notification and have the right to review, test and approve such substitutions, if deemed necessary. If the City has reasonable evidence to believe that an employee of the Contractor is incompetent, or has performed his or her employment in an objectionable manner, the City shall have the right to require the Contractor to resolve the situation to the City's satisfaction, provided, however, that the Contractor shall not be required to institute or pursue to completion any action if to do so would violate any law, state statute, city ordinance, contract of employment or union agreement.
- **14. EXPENSES**: Travel expenses or costs relating to the performance of the contract will be entirely borne by the contractor, if required duties take place in Broward County. The price proposed by the Contractor shall include all delivery and, if applicable mailing charges. Only City requested emergency courier or express charges may be reimbursed to the Contractor, if such are requested by the City designee.

If the contractor is required to travel outside Broward County, reimbursement shall be at the mileage/per diem rates currently in effect for City employees. (http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/purchasing/TravelPSM 121002.pdf)

- 15. YEARLY EXPENDITURES: There is no accurate way to estimate what the City will spend annually for court reporting services. Court reporting service factors including, but not necessarily limited to, litigation matters, confiscation and prosecution activity, and matters that require an official record will determine the actual amount of services. The City makes no guarantees on the amount of services that will be required over the period of the contract.
- 16. REFERENCES: Bidders are requested to furnish the names and phone numbers of at least three references for each type of service requested in the BID, if applicable. Client references must be specifically related to the individual services proposed, and must be current clients for whom these services have been provided. The references, work samples, and professional credentials shall provide the City with an accurate depiction of the Bidder's ability, and attest to the current quality of their performance. Work should have been performed for these references within the last year, and preferably within the most current six months.
- <u>17. CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE TRIAL PERIOD</u>: The successful Contractor(s) will be evaluated during an initial 30, 60, or 90 day trial Contract performance period, at the City's option. During this time, the successful Contractor will be rated on the following factors: quality of product provided, quality of service performed, timeliness of service performed, responsiveness to the City's needs.

The evaluation will be performed by City staff, including the City Attorney's Office, Office of the City Prosecutor, and Police Legal Advisor's Office.

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If the Contractor successfully completes the trial evaluation, the initial two (2) year Contract period shall commence at the end of the trial period, following formal City contract award.

18. LOBBYING ACTIVITIES: Any Bidder or Bidder(s) submitting a response to this solicitation must comply, if applicable, with the City of Fort Lauderdale Ordinance No. C-00-27, Lobbying Activities. Copies of Ordinance No. C-00-27 may be obtained from the City Clerk's office on the 7th Floor of City Hall, 100 North Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301. The ordinance may also be viewed on the City's website at http://ci.fort-lauderdale.fl.us/documents/index/htm

PART III - SCOPE OF SERVICES

- 1. SCOPE OF SERVICES: The City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, requires court reporting services. This service is necessary for trials, hearings, depositions, meetings, Closed Door Sessions of the City Commission, quasi-judicial administrative hearings, Dispute Resolution proceedings, certain aspects of City Commission meetings and any time an official record is required. Services would be required by the Office of the City Attorney, the Office of the City Prosecutor, and the Police Legal Advisor's Office. Approximately ten (10) attorneys are employed by the City in these various offices. These services are critical to the operation of this department. The successful Contractor must have the ability and capacity to meet the City's demand for these services, as needed. Availability, timeliness, turnaround time, and quality of work are mandatory. All services provided under this contract, except for those which are overnight or emergency services, shall be a flat fee/per service requirement, F.O.B. City of Fort Lauderdale. All transcripts are subject to City review and acceptance.
 - 1.1. Contractor shall provide qualified personnel for appearances at various court proceedings, including, but not limited to: trials, hearings, depositions, meetings, statements of individuals, Closed Door Sessions of the City Commission, quasi-judicial administrative hearings, Dispute Resolution proceedings, certain aspects of City Commission meetings, and any time an official record is required. Contractor shall provide transcripts when requested for both expedited and normal delivery. Additionally, Contractor shall provide the City Attorney's Office with emergency telephone and pager numbers for contacts before and after regular business hours. Transcripts may be required for normal delivery specified within seven working days; expedited service is specified as within three working days; and overnight service is specified as within 24 hours. The Cost to the City for transcripts shall be based on an original and one copy to the City. Rates/per page shall be priced at a firm, fixed rate/per page for exhibits (photocopies), and for the transcript/per page. Any and all other related fees must be enumerated and detailed in your proposal submittal in the spaces provided for these items.
 - 1.2. Attendance at "closed door sessions" of the City Commission, is usually brief, approximately 15 minutes. This is a confidential meeting of the City Commission and the City attorneys, or representatives to discuss litigation strategy, possible settlement negotiation. Transcripts are required for each closed door session. Closed door sessions can occur as often as two times/per month (in concert with the regularly or special scheduled meetings of the City Commission). These meetings may are usually held late afternoons following the City Commission Conference meeting, between 3:00 and 6:00 PM.
 - 1.3. Contractor must have the capacity to provide computer aided transcription; key word indexing; mini-transcripts; CD Rom discs when required; and have the ability to provide video/telephone deposition, as needed.
- 2. **INVOICES**: Billings for all court reporter services must state the name of the case, nature of services (i.e. attendance at deposition, hearing, etc.), date of service, name of the City's attorney who ordered the reporter, time spent (i.e. 9:00 am 9:30 am). At any time the City requests, contractor shall issue separate invoices to each party for their respective portion of the invoice, as may be applicable.
 - Transcript charges must indicate the number of pages, and the per page contract price, as well as the number of Exhibits and the cost/per page, if applicable.
 - Closed door sessions of the City Commission shall be based on a firm, fixed cost to the City/per session. Any limitations on session pricing must also be clearly defined and pricing formula detailed, if applicable.

3.0. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS/Court Reporter:

- Hearings: first hour, and extra hours/per hour
- Depositions: first hour and extra hours/per hour; half day; full day
- Trial Work: half day; full day
- Quasi-judicial proceedings, "as needed"
- Dispute Resolution proceedings: first hour and extra hours/per hour; half day; full day
- Closed door sessions of the City Commission:
- Statements of individuals

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

All bids must be submitted as specified on the proposal pages that follow. Any attachments must be clearly identified. To be considered, the proposal must respond to all parts of the BID. Any other information thought to be relevant, but not applicable to the enumerated categories, should be provided as an appendix to the proposal. If publications are supplied by a bidder to respond to a requirement, the response should include reference to the document number and page number. This will provide a quick reference for the evaluators. Bids not providing this reference will be considered to have no reference material included in the additional documents.

- All bids must be submitted in a sealed package with the BID number, due and open date, and BID title
 clearly marked on the outside. If more than one package is submitted they should be marked 1 of 2, etc.
- All bids must be received in the Procurement & Materials Management Division, Room 619, 6th floor, City Hall, 100 North Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, 33301 prior to 2:00 pm on the date specified in the BID.
- The proposal shall be signed by a representative who is authorized to contractually bind the Contractor.
- BIDDERS MUST SUBMIT AN IDENTIFIED ORIGINAL COPY
 PLUS THREE (3) COPIES OF THE PROPOSAL PAGES INCLUDING ANY ATTACHMENTS

THE ABOVE REQUIREMENT TOTALS FOUR (4) COPIES OF YOUR PROPOSAL

ITB SUMMARY PAGES

Vendor(s) please complete all information requested on the ITB SUMMARY pages.

Company Name:
Principal Contact Person:
Printed Name & Title:
E-mail address:
1. ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: Vendor acknowledges that the following addenda has been received, and are included as a part of the BID proposal:
Addendum No. Date Issued:
2. M/WBE Vendor Qualifications: If your company qualified as a Minority, or Woman Owned Business, please indicate in the space provided below. Please also include any Broward County, Broward School Board, or other M/WBE Certification supporting this claim as a part of your BID responses.
MBE: WBE:
Certification(s) Included: YES: NO:
3. TIMELINE SCHEDULE: Are you able to provide Court Reporting Services in accordance with the City's proposed turnaround times and in accordance with "on-demand" requirements, as contained in the BID? YES:NO:
If no, explain:
 PRICING FOR COURT REPORTER SERVICES ("as needed"): Rates for appearance when a transcript is not required:
1. Hearings:
1A. First Hour/hour
1B. Extra Hours/hour
2. Depositions:
2A. First Hour/hour
2B. Extra Hours/hour
2C. Half Day
2D. Full Day

3. Trial Work:				
3A. Half Day				
3B. Full Day				
4. Closed Door Sessions	of City Commission	: (Anticipated 3	0/per year) (*)	
Per session:		X 30 =	\$	/yr.
5. Dispute Resolution Pro	ceedings:			
2A. First Hour	/hour			
2B. Extra Hours	/hour			
2C. Half Day				
2D. Full Day				
6. Recorded Statements				
6A. First Hour	/hour			
6B. Extra Hours	/hour			
7. Quasi-judicial proceedir	ngs, "as needed"			
7A. First Hour	/hour			
7B. Extra Hours	/hour			
7C. Transcript – Pr	rice/per page:			
(*) Lowest Cost to the City will b	e based on this item,	, plus 1 hour/pe	r each for items 1-3	, and 5-7.
OTHER ACTIVITIES NEED TO DAY IS NOT EQUITABLE, PLEA			_	
Transcript fee - providing	g an original and one	copy to the City	/ :	
1. Normal Delivery (sever	n [7] working days)		_/page	
2. Expedited Service (three	ee [3] working days)		_/page	
3. Overnight Service (24 h	nours)		_/page	
4. Closed Door Session T	ranscripts		_/page	
5. Rate per page for exhib	its (photocopies)		_/page	

6. Keyword indexing

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-	7. Cost for mini-script transcript, if additional cost	
8	B. CD ROM Cost/per CD	
(9. Video/Telephone Deposition cost	
	10. List any additional fees you would assess (Define and detail each charge:	
Please	indicate any variation to the pricing formula above, if applicable:	
services when se	Reporter References: Please provide a list of at least three (3) client references. Include the following: Company Name, Point-of-contact Name, Address, and ervices provided (period of time).	
If addition	onal space is required, please include as an Appendix to your BID response.	
Riddor	Comments:	
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